

## SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

Supplemental Figure S1: The -10 kb upstream enhancer up-regulates C/EBP $\alpha$  mediated activation of the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 promoter. A fragment of the -10 kb region was amplified and inserted into a pGL3 (firefly luciferase) vector containing 1.6 kb of the upstream PPAR $\gamma$ 2 promoter. Increasing amounts of a plasmid encoding C/EBP $\alpha$  were introduced at 0, 25, 50, 100, 200, and 400 ng. Activation of a plasmid containing renilla luciferase was used as a control. The value of relative luciferase units was set to the negative control of 0 ng of C/EBP $\alpha$  plasmid on the -1.6 kb control reporter. Results are from three independent samples performed in triplicate. Error bars: Mean + SD ( $p^* < 0.05$ ,  $p^{**} < 0.01$ ,  $p^{***} < 0.001$  by Student's two tailed  $t$ -test).

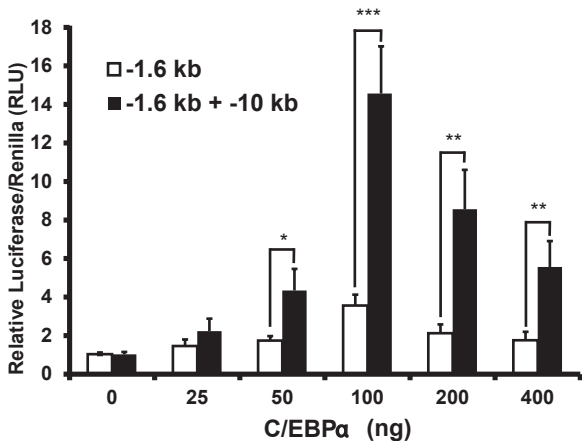
Supplemental Figure S2: Loop formation at the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 locus in 3T3-L1 cells requires Prmt5. **(A)** Time course of interaction frequency between the promoter and the -10 kb enhancer sequence. 3T3-L1 cells were taken at the 0 hour timepoint and at 3, 6, 12, 24, and 96 hours following differentiation. **(B-D)** 3T3-L1 cells were infected with retroviruses containing either a control vector or antisense Prmt5 and differentiated. **(B)** Cells collected prior to differentiation (0 hour) or 96 hours later were tested by 3C for interactions between the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 promoter and the -10 kb enhancer. Results are from three independent samples performed in triplicate. Error bars: Mean + SD ( $p^* < 0.05$ ,  $p^{**} < 0.01$ , by Student's two tailed  $t$ -test). **(C)** Oil Red O staining for cells differentiated for 4 days. **(D)** Western blots demonstrating a reduction in Prmt5 levels in antisense Prmt5 expressing cells. PI3K levels were monitored as a control.

Supplemental Figure S3: C/EBP $\alpha$  contributes to loop formation at the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 locus. **(A)** Oil Red O staining of C3H10T/2 cells treated with a control siRNA or an siRNA pool targeting C/EBP $\alpha$  and differentiated for 4 days. **(B)** Western blot analysis of siRNA treated cells collected prior to differentiation (0 hour) or 96 hours later showing levels of C/EBP $\alpha$ . GAPDH levels were monitored as a control. **(C)** Cells collected prior to differentiation (0 hour) or 96 hours later were tested by 3C for interactions between the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 promoter and the -10 kb enhancer. Results are from two independent samples performed in triplicate. Error bars: Mean + SD ( $p^* < 0.05$ ,  $p^{**} < 0.01$ ,  $p^{***} < 0.001$  by Student's two tailed  $t$ -test).

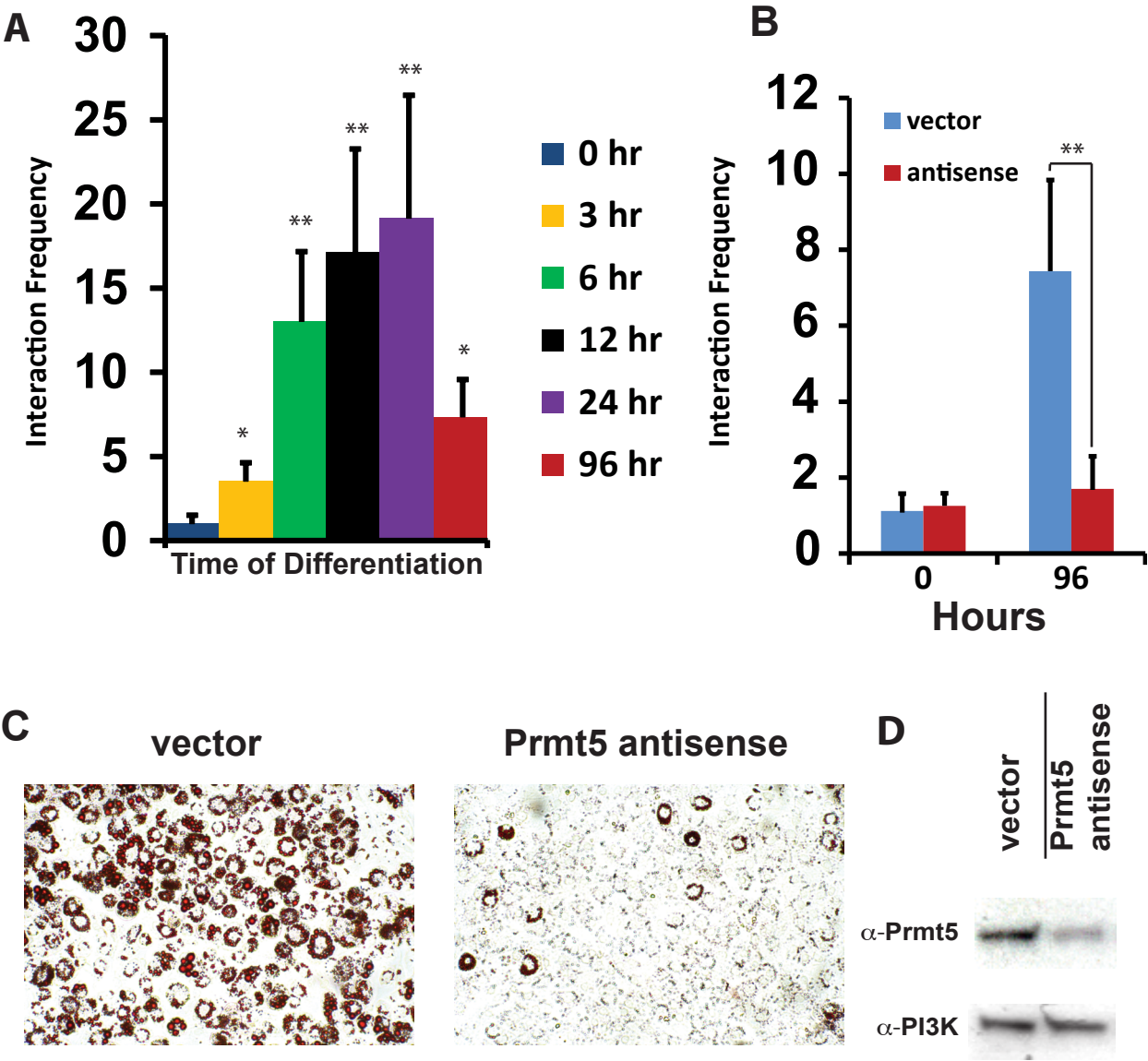
Supplemental Figure S4: Prmt5 mediates the formation of other DNA loops and inter-chromosomal interactions during adipogenic differentiation. **(A)** Time course of relative interaction frequency between the Ucp2 and Ucp3 loci. Samples of 3T3-L1 cells were taken at the 0 hour timepoint and at 3, 6, 12, 24, and 96 hours following differentiation. **(B)** Control vector and antisense Prmt5 expressing 3T3-L1 cells either collected prior to differentiation (0 hour) or 96 hours later were tested by 3C for interactions between the Ucp2 and Ucp3 loci. **(C)** Control vector and antisense Prmt5 expressing 3T3-L1 cells either collected prior to differentiation (0 hour) or 96 hours later were used to determine expression levels of Ucp3 and Ucp2, normalized to levels of GAPDH, by quantitative PCR. Data are presented as fold induction relative to the expression at time 0, which was set to 1. All results are from three independent samples performed in triplicate. Error bars: Mean + SD ( $p^* < 0.05$ ,  $p^{**} < 0.01$ ,  $p^{***} < 0.001$  by Student's two tailed  $t$ -test).

Supplemental Figure S5: Schematic model of the time course of events leading to DNA looping and enhanced transcription at the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 locus. The progressively increasing thickness of the arrow at the PPAR $\gamma$ 2 gene transcription start site represents increasing levels of productive transcription.

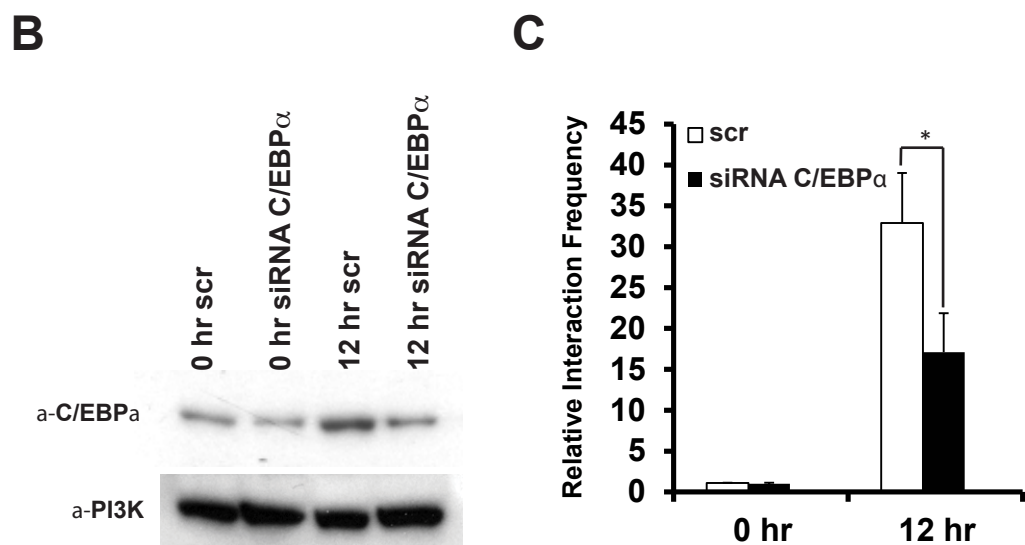
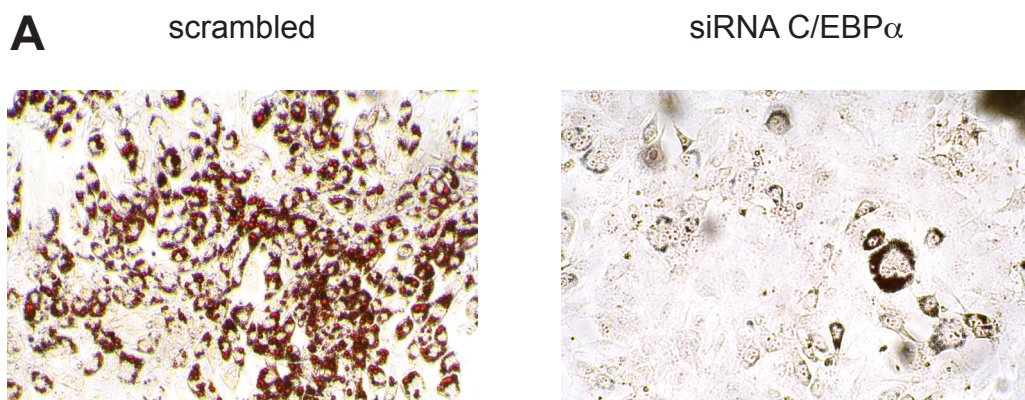
Supplemental Table 1: Primers used



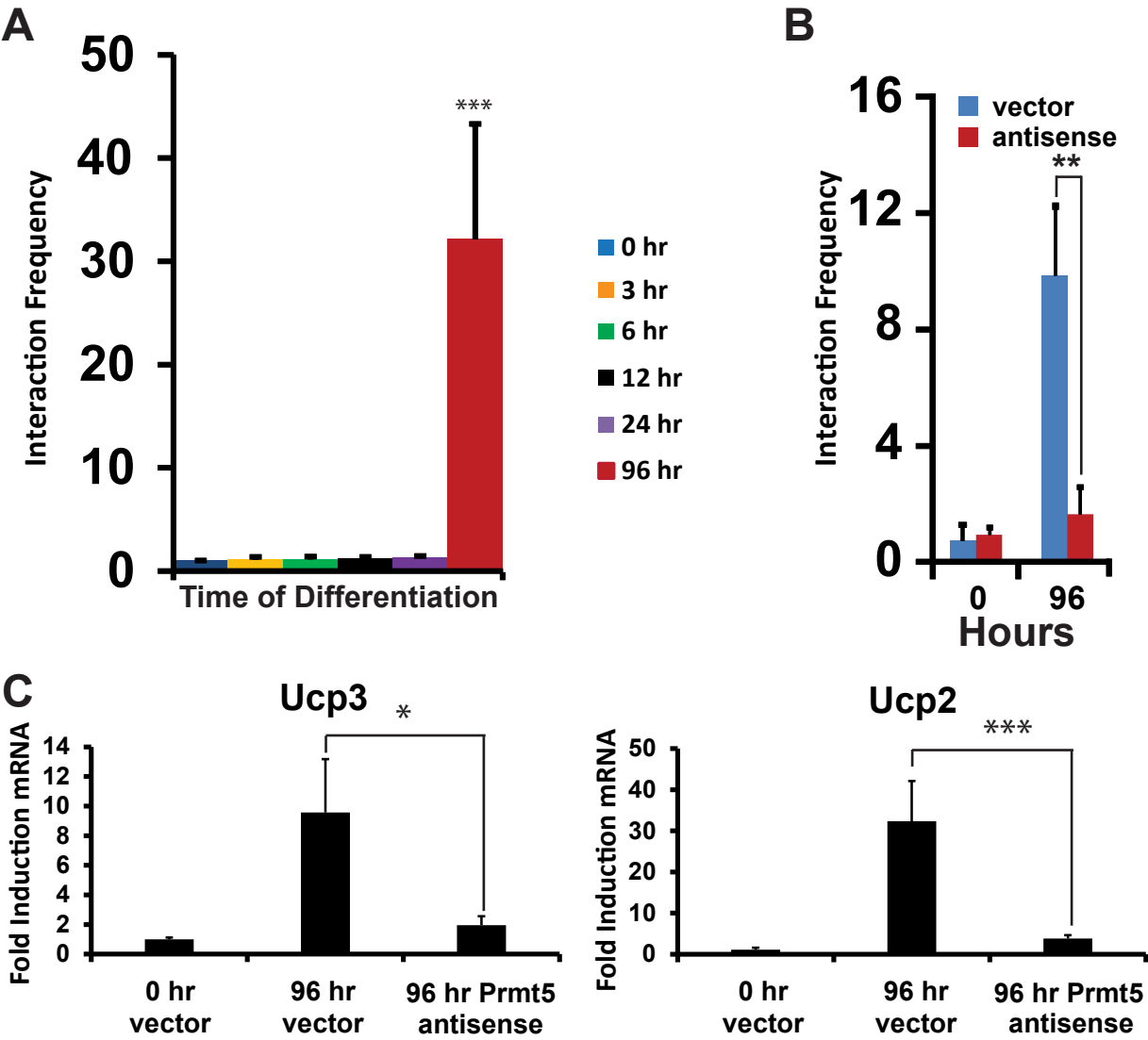
Supplemental Figure S1



Supplemental Figure S2

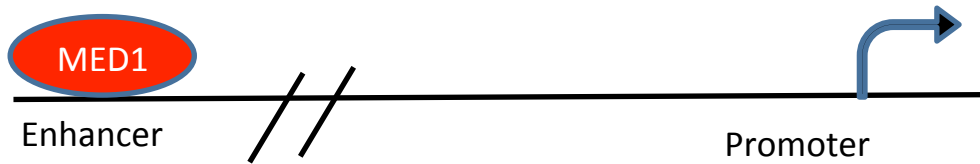


Supplemental Figure 3C

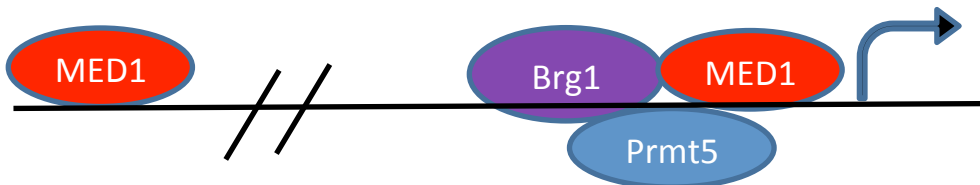


Supplemental Figure S4

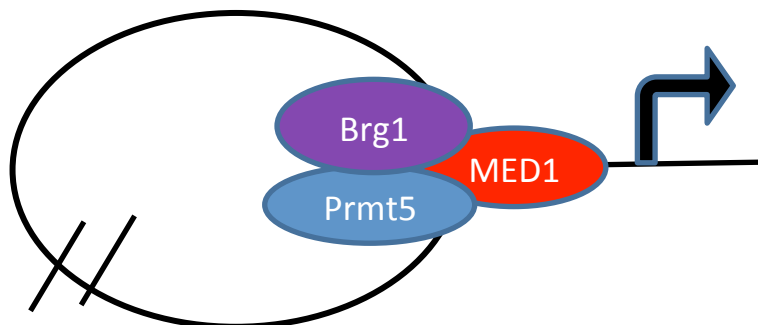
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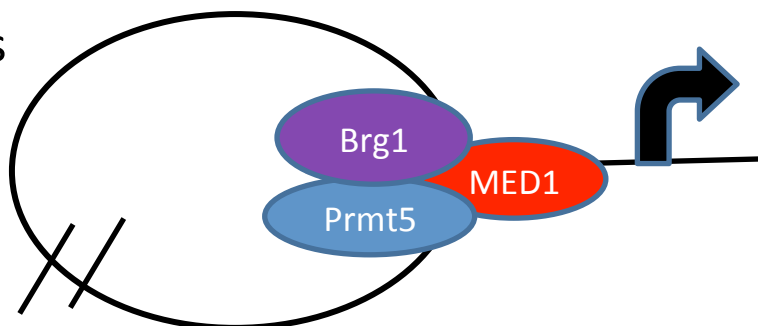
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24-96 hrs



Supplemental Figure S5



Supplemental Table 1

**Primers for Cloning**

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| Forward | CGCGGGTACCGTTCCCAAATGTTTATC     |
| Reverse | CGCGGGTACCGTCTAGGAGGTAGGATATTCT |

**Primers for ChIP**

|                          |         |                            |
|--------------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| PPAR $\gamma$ 2 promoter | Forward | GTAATGTACCAAGTCTTGCCAAAGCA |
|                          | Reverse | AAGGAAAAAGGCTTATGGTCATCGAC |
| -10 kb region            | Forward | TTCTTCCCAGTAGGAACTGCAT     |
|                          | Reverse | GATCACTCAGTTGGCATTCTC      |

**Primers for 3C**

| Position (kb)      | Restriction Enzyme | Sequence                          |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| PPAR $\gamma$ 2    |                    |                                   |
| <b>-0.3 Anchor</b> | <b>StuI</b>        | <b>GTAATGTACCAAGTCTTGCCAAAGCA</b> |
| -81.6              | PvuII              | TGGTGTGGACAACCGATATG              |
| -68                | PvuII              | AAGCTGAAGCCACACCCTAA              |
| -54.6              | PvuII              | GAGGGCAATAGGGAAACACA              |
| -38                | StuI               | AGGTGTGGCGTACACATCAG              |
| -27                | PvuII              | TGTTGCTCTGGGCCTTTCTA              |
| -20                | PvuII              | TCCAAGGCCTGACGCTATTA              |
| -14.2              | StuI               | TGTAGCTAGGGGCAGTGTTG              |
| <b>-10</b>         | <b>PvuII</b>       | <b>GGTGGACAAGCCAAAATCTTTA</b>     |
| -5.5               | StuI               | GGACCGTAAGTCTGCCTGTTT             |
| -3.7               | PvuII              | CACGTAAGTCGGGTACTCTCT             |
| +2.1               | PvuII              | AGCCCATCAGCTTAGGCATT              |
| +6.7               | PvuII              | TGGATTAGCTTCTTTCCCTAAGTG          |
| +21.8              | PvuII              | TGCACCTTGGCAATTTAATG              |
| +48                | PvuII              | GCCAGGTTATAGTTTGGTTTGG            |
| +62                | PvuII              | TCAGGTCAGTGAGGGTAGGG              |
| +71                | StuI               | GTGTAAGCCACAGGCAAGGT              |
| +81                | StuI               | GTGTAAGCCACAGGCAAGGT              |
| ERCC3              |                    |                                   |
| -0.9               | PvuII              | GTCCACTGCTTTGAGCCTTC              |
| 13                 | StuI               | AGCACTCTGGAAGCAGAAGC              |
| Ucp3 +2            | StuI               | CTGTAGGGCAAAGGGGAACG              |
| Ucp2 +0.6          | PvuII              | GACTGTATCCCCCAGGCACAGC            |

### Expression Primers

|                 |         |                                  |
|-----------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| PPAR $\gamma$ 2 | Forward | CCAGTGTGAATTACAGCAAATCTCTGTTTTAT |
|                 | Reverse | TTGTGAAGTGCTCATAGGCAGTG          |
| Ucp3            | Forward | AGACCCGATACATGAACGCT             |
|                 | Reverse | TCCTGAGCCACCATCTTCAG             |
| Ucp2            | Forward | TTGTCTGGCAGCTGTGAAAC             |
|                 | Reverse | GAAGCCATCACTTTAGGCCG             |
| Cyclophilin     | Forward | G GCCAACGATAAGAAGGG              |
|                 | Reverse | GCTGTCTGTCTTGGTGCTCTCCAC         |

### siRNA sequences

|               |                                    |                           |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Prmt5 Oligo 3 | Dharmacon<br>D-042281-04           | GUCCGUGCCUGUCGGGAAA       |
| Prmt5 Oligo 5 | (Invitrogen Stealth<br>Prmt5 2075) | CCTACAGCACAGAAGGTGTAGAACA |
| MED1 Oligo 1  | Ambion s72006                      | CACUGUCUCUCAUUGCAGtt      |
| MED1 Oligo 2  | Ambion s72008                      | CACUGCUAUUUUCUCAAUAtt     |